

ABSTRACT

CARR-300

MASON-DIXON LINE: MILESTONE NO. 64(67)

1767 (reset 1902)

Union Mills, Maryland vicinity

Public/private

Milestone No. 64(67) is an original monument of 1767 at its original site, marking Mason and Dixon's 64th horizontal mile west of the northeast corner of Maryland, the beginning of their 230.228-mile West Line, the longest of their survey lines run and marked during their 1763-68 commission to define the boundary between the English provinces of Maryland and Pennsylvania. As with all original West Line monuments, this milestone was quarried and carved in England, of oolitic limestone, measuring about 12" square by about 4½' long, cut to stand as a post about 3' above ground, with the remainder left rough-cut for setting into the ground. There is vertical fluting on all four sides, framed at the vertical edges by horizontally-fluted margins, with fluting extending into the low pyramidal top faces, converging at a centered apex. The distinguishing features are the Roman capital letters P on the north side facing Pennsylvania and M on the south side facing Maryland, each V-sunk into a plain shallow circle panel. No. 64(67) was reset in 1902, during the course of the 1900-03 Resurvey of the Maryland-Pennsylvania boundary, to stand about 1½' above ground, and presently measures about 11½" square by about 12" above ground. It is unaltered, firmly set, but only in fair condition because of considerable chipping on all sides, edges, corners and the top, particularly disfiguring the south side, including the letter M. On the federal and state levels, this milestone is significant primarily as one of the series of 135 original monuments still standing along the West Line, the boundary later known as the Mason-Dixon Line, famous for its historical impact and innovative survey methods. Locally, as one of 18 original monuments marking the present Carroll/York county boundary (3 crownstones; 15 milestones), it is also significant as one of a diminishing number of objects and structures with a visually identifiable relationship to the colonial and Civil War heritage of these two counties.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME BOUNDARY MARKERS ALONG THE MASON-DIXON LINE (THEMATIC GROUP)
HISTORIC (Mason and Dixon's) West Line, 64th Mile Stone

AND/OR COMMON

Mason-Dixon Line: Milestone No. 64 (1900-03 Resurvey Monument No. 67)

2 LOCATION (not for publication)
STREET & NUMBER off north side of Barnhart Road

CITY, TOWN

Union Mills ☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

MD: 6 / PA 19

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

MD: Carroll / PA: York

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS N/A	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: state boundary marker

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY (monument only; see Thematic Group NR nomination form)

NAME State of Maryland/Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION N/A(see surrounding property ownership list)
COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS (also see Thematic Group NR nomination form)

TITLE

Carroll County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

CARR-300 entered 1/80

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☒ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Milestone No. 64(67) marks Mason and Dixon's 64th horizontal mile west of the northeast corner of Maryland. It is an original milestone, set in 1767, is in fair condition, unaltered, and remains at its original site, though reset in 1902 during the course of the 1900-03 Resurvey of the Maryland-Pennsylvania boundary.

The area here is rolling, mostly open farmland, sparsely settled, and interspersed with patches of deciduous woods. The site is within Election District 3 of Carroll County, West Manheim Township of York County, PA; is about 3½ miles northeast of Union Mills and Silver Run, MD; about 0.85 mile west of Geeting Road/T-301 at the Line; about 1000' north of Barnhart Road; at the north edge of a new housing development (Twin Fawns), south edge of a sloping cultivated field, and about 300' south of a BG&E transmission line in a bower of poison ivy. It ^{is not marked in any way;} cannot be seen from any road, nor readily from nearby; and is in danger of further damage by farm machinery.

As with all original Mason and Dixon West Line monuments, this milestone is an embellished oolitic limestone post with a low pyramidal top; was quarried and carved in England; measured about 12" square by about 4½' long, cut to stand about 3' above ground with the remainder left rough-cut for securing below ground. There is vertical fluting on all four sides, framed at the vertical edges by horizontally-fluted margins, with the fluting extending into the top planes, converging at a centered apex. The distinguishing features are the Roman capital letters P on the north side facing Pennsylvania and M on the south side facing Maryland, each V-sunk into a plain shallow circle panel. No. 64(67) was reset in 1902 to stand about 1½' above ground, and presently measures about 11½" square by about 12" above ground. Though still firmly in place, the monument has been ^{and disfigured} badly chipped/over time, particularly on the top of the north side and entire face of the south side, though both letters are still discernible. Some fluting remains (none on top), and the west side and top are very weatherworn.

(see Thematic Group National Register nomination form for full descriptions the original Mason and Dixon monuments and the 1900-03 Resurvey method of resetting them)

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE**PERIOD****AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW**

<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) boundary surveying
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1767 (reset 1902)

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Charles Mason & Jeremiah Dixon
SURVEYORS**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

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HISTORY AND SUPPORT (see Thematic Group National Register nomination form)

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one acreQuadrangle name: Manchester (Maryland-Pennsylvania), USGS 7.5 minute series
(topographic), scale 1:24000

UTM reference: zone 18, easting 32898, northing 439837

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION N/A

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE Maryland COUNTY Carroll

STATE Pennsylvania COUNTY York

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Alice Martin (volunteer, Mason & Dixon's West Line boundary marker surveyor)

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Maryland Geological Survey

DATE

8/24/80 (site surveyed)

STREET & NUMBER

14308 Mount Avenue

TELEPHONE

301/472-2128

CITY OR TOWN

Phoenix

STATE

Maryland 21131

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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5563 1 SE
(MC SHERRYSTOWN)

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

MANCHESTER QUADRANGLE
MARYLAND-PENNSYLVANIA
SCALE: 1"=2000' USGS 7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
1953 PHOTO REV. 1971



77°00'
39°45'

329000m E.

PENNVILLE 3.3 MI

2 220 000 FEET (PA.)

332 57'30"

4401000m N.
150 000 FEET
(PA.)

Raubenstine

ADAMS CO
YORK CO

4399

MID 64(67)

YORK CO
CARROLL CO

4398

42°30'

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MASON

AND

DIXON

Sheppard-Meyers Rese

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E

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Hanover Dam



MASON & DIXON WEST LINE: MILESTONE 64 (67)
OFF N/S BARNHART RD., SILVER RUN, MD. VICINITY
ORIGINAL (1767)

SE CORNER (M/-)

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MASON & DIXON WEST LINE: MILESTONE 64 (67)
OFF N/S BARNHART ROAD, SILVER RUN, MD. VICINITY
ORIGINAL (1767)
NW CORNER (P/-)

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